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**NHS DORSET CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP
GOVERNING BODY MEETING
ANNUAL DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT**

Date of the meeting	18/09/2019
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Purpose of Report	To update the Dorset CCG Governing Body with the Annual Director of Public Health report, and key recommendations which focus on improving health and wellbeing of children.
Recommendation	The Governing Body is asked to note the report.
Stakeholder Engagement	N/A
Previous GB / Committee/s, Dates	N/A

1. Introduction

- 1.1 It is a statutory requirement for the Director of Public Health to produce and publish an annual report. This can be used to highlight particular issues of concern around health and wellbeing in populations, and make recommendations for improvement.
- 1.2 This year's report focused on children's health and wellbeing. The focus was chosen because a number of external inspections of children's services had highlighted a lack of awareness among system partners of health and wellbeing issues affecting the whole population of children. For example, inspections found there was often a good understanding of risk and need among vulnerable children with high levels of need. But less of an understanding of risk factors in the wider population that may contribute to that need arising in future.

2. Report

- 2.1 The report focuses on key health and wellbeing challenges of children, often due to complex causes. It recognises that there is a wealth of good work going on across Dorset and BCP Councils, and the ICS system. The challenges include reducing smoking in pregnancy, readiness for school, physical activity and obesity, emotional health and wellbeing, and safeguarding and exploitation.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 Through the examples given in the report, the Governing Body is asked to note the report and consider how working more closely together can continue to improve outcomes for children.

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APPENDICES	
Appendix 1	Director of Public Health Annual Report 2018/19